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panels. These additional inserts or panels are optional. Such panels are typically rectangular, oblong, or are elongated with curvilinear shaped ends and or portions.

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-144 without prejudice.

Please add new claims 145-186 as follows:

145. (new) A method of forming an undergarment comprising:

inserting an adhesive layer between a first fabric layer and a second fabric layer to form a fabric composite, said composite having a periphery that is larger than an outer periphery of the undergarment;

causing said adhesive layer to form a laminate from said composite; and

removing a selvage from said laminate at said outer periphery to form a finished edge of the undergarment.

- 146. (new) The method as in claim 145, wherein the undergarment is a brassiere.
- 147. (new) The method as in claim 145, wherein the undergarment is a party.
- 148. (new) The method as in claim 145, wherein said finished edge resists unraveling.

- 149. (new) The method as in claim 145, wherein said finished edge has a shape selected from the group consisting of a straight edge, a scalloped edge, and any combination of the foregoing.
- 150. (new) The method as in claim 145 wherein said selvage is between about one half of an inch and an inch.
- 151. (new) The method as in claim 145, wherein removing said selvage from said laminate comprises moving a cutting device along said outer periphery.
- 152. (new) The method as in claim 145, wherein removing said selvage from said laminate comprises punching a die into said laminate wherein said die corresponds to said outer periphery.
- 153. (new) The method as in claim 145, wherein said adhesive layer only bonds said first and second fabric layers together in a selected region so that a non-bonded region is formed.
- 154. (new) The method as in claim 153, wherein said non-bonded region is a breast cup region.
- 155. (new) The method as in claim 153, wherein said non-bonded region is a buttocks region.
- 156. (new) The method as in claim 145, further comprising molding a portion of said laminate to a desired shape after causing said adhesive layer to form said laminate.

- 157. (new) The method as in claim 156, wherein said desired shape defines a breast cup region of the undergarment.
- 158. (new) The method as in claim 145, further comprising gluing or fusing a first region of said finished edge to a second region of said finished edge to form a continuous closed tubular undergarment.
- 159. (new) The method as in claim 45, further comprising inserting a fabric member between said first fabric layer and said adhesive layer.
- 160. (new) The method as in claim 159, wherein said fabric member is selected from the group consisting of an underwire channel, a gore, a fabric panel, a buttocks support panel, a bridging piece, and any combination of the foregoing.
- 161. (new) The method as in claim 159, wherein said fabric member is an underwise channel.
- 162. (new) The method as in claim 161, further comprising inserting an underwire into said underwire channel before or after causing said adhesive layer to form said laminate.
- 163. (new) The method as in claim 145, wherein said first fabric layer defines an exterior layer or an interior layer of the undergarment.
- 164. (new) The method as in claim 145, further comprising abutting a first fabric to a second fabric to form at least one of said first and second fabric layers.

165. (new) The method as in claim 164, further comprising inserting a bridging piece between said first tabric layer and said adhesive layer at a juncture of said first and second fabrics.

166. (new) A method of forming an undergarment comprising: applying an adhesive layer to a first fabric layer;

overlying said adhesive layer with a second fabric layer;

causing said adhesive layer to bond said first and second fabric layers together to form a laminate, said laminate having a periphery that is larger than an outer periphery of the undergarment; and

cutting said laminate along said outer periphery to form a finished edge of the undergarment that resists unraveling.

- 167. (new) The method as in claim 166, wherein said adhesive layer only bonds said first and second fabric layers together in a selected region so that a non-bonded region is formed.
- 168. (new) The method as in claim 167, wherein said non-bonded region is a breast cup region.
- 169. (new) The method as in claim 167, wherein said non-bonded region is a buttocks region.

- 170. (new) The method as in claim 166, further comprising molding a portion of said laminate to a desired shape after forming said laminate.
- 171. (new) The method as in claim 170, wherein said desired shape defines a breast cup region of the undergarment.
- 172. (new) The method as in claim 170, further comprising gluing or fusing a first region of said finished edge to a second region of said finished edge to form a continuous closed tubular undergarment.
- 173. (new) The method as in claim 166, further comprising inserting a fabric member between said first fabric layer and said adhesive layer.
- 174. (new) The method as in claim 173, wherein said fabric member is selected from the group consisting of an underwire channel, a gore, a fabric panel a buttocks support panel, a bridging piece, and any combination of the foregoing.
- 175. (new) The method as in claim 173, wherein said fabric member is an underwise channel.
- 176. (new) The method as in claim 175, further comprising inserting an underwire into said underwire channel before or after forming said laminate.
- 177. (new) The method as in claim 166, wherein said first fabric layer defines an exterior layer or an interior layer of the undergarment.

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178. (new) The method as in claim 166, further comprising abutting a first fabric to a second fabric to form at least one of said first and second fabric layers.

179. (new) The method as in claim 178, further comprising inserting a bridging piece between said first fabric layer and said adhesive layer at a juncture of said first and second fabrics.

180. (new) A method of forming an undergarment comprising:

forming an adhesive layer having an adhesive-free portion;

surrounding said adhesive layer with a first fabric layer and a second fabric layer;

causing said adhesive layer to bond said first and second fabric layers together to form a laminate, said laminate having a periphery that is larger than an outer periphery of the undergarment; and

cutting said laminate along said outer periphery to form a finished edge of the undergarment that resists unraveling, wherein said adhesive-free portion defines a non-bonded region of said first and second fabric layers.

181. (new) The method as in claim 180, wherein said non-bonded region is a breast cup region.

182. (new) The method as in claim 181, further comprising molding said non-bonded region to a desired shape after forming said laminate.

183. (new) The method as in claim 182, wherein said desired shape defines a breast cup of the undergarment.

184. (new) The method as in claim 183, further comprising gluing or fusing a first region of said finished edge to a second region of said finished edge to form a continuous closed tubular undergarment.

185. (new) A method of forming an undergarment comprising:

inserting an adhesive layer between a first fabric layer and a second fabric layer;

causing said adhesive layer to form a laminate from said first and second fabric layers, said laminate having a periphery that is larger than an outer periphery of the undergarment;

cutting said laminate along said outer periphery to form a finished edge of the undergarment; and

gluing or fusing a first region of said finished edge to a second region of said finished edge so that the undergarment is a continuous closed tubular undergarment.

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186. (new) A method of forming on undergarment comprising:

abutting a first fabric to a second fabric to form a first fabric layer;

inserting an adhesive layer between said first fabric layer and a second fabric layer;

causing said adhesive layer to bond said first and second fabric layers together to form a laminate, said laminate having a periphery that is larger than an outer periphery of the undergarment; and

cutting said laminate along said outer periphery to form a finished edge of the undergarment that resists unraveling.